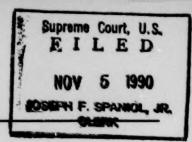


No.



IN THE

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES OCTOBER TERM, 1990

RUDOLPH P. KUROWSKI

Petitioner

v.

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT

Respondent

PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

Rudolph P. Kurowski 73D River Bend Rd. Stratford, Connecticut 06497 (203) 378-6491



QUESTION PRESENTED

1. Whether the Second Circuit Court of Appeals erred in upholding an award of attorney's fees against the petitioner under 42 U.S.C. Section 1983?

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OPINION BELOW

The opinion of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit is reported at 89-9033 (2nd Circuit. 1990) and is reproduced herein as Appendix A. The subsequent decision of the Second Circuit denying the petition for a rehearing was on August 7, 1990 and is reproduced herein as Appendix B.

JURISDICTION

The judgment of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit was entered on June 4, 1990. A petition for rehearing was filed on August 1, 1990 and denied on August 7, 1990 by the same judges. This Court's jurisdiction is invoked pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

The following statutory and regulatory provisions are set forth:

42 U.S.C. 1983 Civil Rights Act

BASIS OF FEDERAL JURISDICTION

The United State Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit had jurisdiction over this case by virtue of 42 U.S.C. 1983.

A. STATEMENT OF THE CASE

The cost of \$39,000.00 in attorney's fees arose from an adverse decision by the district judge who ruled that petitioner's case was frivolous even though the magistrates ruled that petitioner's case had merit. It was approved by the same district judge who ruled against petitioner. This case arises from an adverse, pretextual employment decision on the part of the Board of Police Commissioners of the City of Bridgeport permanently terminating the petitioner from his position as a Bridgeport policeman for the legally permissible purpose of depriving the petitioner of disability benefits to which, at the very least, the Board at the time believed the petitioner might well be entitled to under Connecticut's Heart and Hypertension Law. /1/

On appeal from the District Court, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals agreed with the District Court that petitioner's case was frivolous and had no merit. The three judges assigned to this appeal were the same judges assigned to hear petitioner's appeal for attorney's fees and the same judges were also assigned to hear petitioner's reconsideration for attorney's

fees and as expected, denied the claim.

/1/ Office of City Attorney, Thomas Jackson, 202 State Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604. Telephone No. 203-576-7647.

B. STATEMENT OF FACTS

On July 21, 1989, the City of Bridgeport filed a motion for attorney's fees after the Second Circuit Court of Appeals rules against petitioner granting the City of Bridgeport a directed verdict in the 42 U.S.C. Section 1983 Action.

On August 16, 1989, Judge Daly issues a ruling saying that the petitioner's action was ab initio, groundless, unreasonable, and brought for vexatious purposes granting the City of Bridgeport \$39,000.00 in attorney's fees.

On August 30, 1989, a motion for reconsideration was filed by petitioner's attorney, Gary Mastronardi, 2112 North Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604.

On October 17, 1989, the motion for reconsideration of respondent's attorney's fees was denied by the district judge. On October 23, 1989, petitioner files a motion to the Second Circuit challenging the district judge's ruling on granting respondent attorney's fees of \$39,000.00.

On June 4, 1990, the same judges who heard petitioner's original claim on a directed verdict in favor of the respondent denied petitioner's claim on attorney's fees granted the respondent.

On August 7, 1990, the petition for a rehearing on attorney's fees granted to the respondent was denied by the same judges.

REASON FOR GRANTING WRIT

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A REVIEWING COURT SHOULD TAKE THE FACTS INTO CONSIDERATION. A GREAT INJUSTICE HAS BEEN DONE TO PETITIONER. AT LEAST IF SO ORDERED, THE SUPREME COURT SHOULD SEND THIS ACTION BACK TO THE SECOND CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS FOR AN HONEST AND FAIR REVIEW.

The district judge ruled that my case was ab initio, groundless, unreasonable, and brought for vexatious purposes. In <u>Hughes v. Rowe, 449 U.S.</u>
5 (1980), the Supreme Court assimilated into Section

1988 the standards for awarding attorney's fees to successful defendants. Under that standard, the successful defendants may recover Section 1988 fees only if "the plaintiff's action was frivolous, unreasonable, or without foundation, even though not brought in subjective bad faith, " ID at 14. Obviously, under this standard, the fact that plaintiff may lose his case is not in itself a sufficient justification for the assessment of fees. Id. Accordingly, the Court cautioned district courts to resist the understandable temptation to engage in post hoc reasoning by concluding that because a plaintiff did not ultimately prevail, his action must have been unreasonable or without foundation. Christianburg Garment Co. U.E.E.O.C. 434 U.S. 412, 421-22 (1978)

The this action began in February, 1985. This case was litigated extensively and in good faith. District Judge Daly assigned Magistrate Egan to hear two separate motions in 1986. After those motions were heard by Magistrate Egan, they were adopted in toto by Judge Daly.

Later in 1987 and 1988, two separate rounds of defense motions to dismiss directed at the sufficiency

of plaintiff's pleadings and evidence was argued before Magistrate Joan Margolis. The Magistrate upheld the validity of the plaintiff's equal protection claim in both rounds of defense motions and were ultimately adopted and ratified by Judge Daly. How could Judge Daly on one hand say that the claims are valid and adopt them, and on the other hand, throw the case out of court, grant the respondent a directed verdict, and then grant the City of Bridgeport attorney's fees of \$39,000.00 after the Second Circuit Court of Appeals agrees with the district judge?

In the pre-trial motions, there were factual allegations that were upheld by the Magistrate and Judge Daly. These same factual allegations; 1) that my termination followed too closely on the heels of a medical examination that the petitioner suffered from heart disease; 2) that the petitioner's firing occurred just days before the Workmen's Compensation Commission could rule on the petitioner's eligibility for benefits; 3) that there was an awareness on the part of the commission that the petitioner's compensation hearing was imminent and that terminating the petitioner prior thereto might adversely affect the

petitioner's eligibility for benefits; 4) that the petitioner is the only police officer in the history of the Bridgeport Police Department ever to be permanently terminated for a minor rule violation; and 5) that there were several other officers who violated the same rule and were never terminated, were the same facts that the City of Bridgeport attempted to dismiss in pre-trial motions but were ultimately ratified by Judge Daly.

Yet, petitioner was ordered to pay attorney's fees of \$39,000.00 to respondent which was ordered by Judge Daly and upheld by the Second Circuit Court of Appeals using the same judges. How could that be?

CONCLUSION

For reasons stated herein, a Writ of Certiorari should issue to the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit to review its judgement herein.

Respectfully submitted,

Rudolph P. Kurowski 73D River Bend Road Stratford, Connecticut 06497 (203) 378-6491

^{*}Pro-Se

APPENDIX A

Decision of the United States Court of Appeals
for the Second Circuit on Attorney's Fees



UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT Daly

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At a stated term of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, held at the United States Courthouse in the City of New York, on the fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and ninety.

Present: HONORABLE IRVING R. KAUFMAN,

HONORABLE AMALYA L. KEARSE,

HONORABLE ROGER J. MINER,

Circuit Judges,

RUDOLPH P. KUROWSKI,

Plaintiff-Appellant

- v.-

No. 89-9033

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, BRIDGEPORT POLICE COMMISSION,

Defendants-Appellees .

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut.

This cause came on to be heard on the transcript of record from the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut, and was argued by plaintiff pro se submitted by counsel for defendants.

ON CONSIDERATION WHEREOF, it is now hereby

ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the orders of said District Court be and they are hereby affirmed.

Plaintiff <u>pro se</u> Rudolph P. Kurowski appeals from orders of the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut, T.F. Gilroy Daly, <u>Judge</u>, (1) awarding attorney's fees to defendants in connection with their successful defense of his action alleging the termination of his employment and (2) denying Kurowski's motion for reconsideration of the award. Though we disagree with the district court's ruling that the motion for reconsideration was untimely, we affirm on the grounds that the award was within the discretion of the court and that Kurowski showed no basis for any modification.

The order of the district court was awarding defendants fees was filed on August 18, 1989. The court's Local Rule 9(e) (1) required that any motion for reconsideration be filed within 10 days. Kurowski filed his motion on August 31, 13 calendar days later. However, Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a) provides that when the period of time prescribed by local court rules is less than 11 days, intermediate Saturdays and Sundays are to be excluded from the time computation. Excluding

those days in the present case, we note that Kurowski filed his motion within nine days. Thus, his motion for reconsideration was timely.

Nonetheless, we find no basis for reversing either the award of costs or the denial of reconsideration. It is within the discretion of the district court to award attorney's fees to a prevailing defendant in an action under 42 U.S.C. \$ 1983 or under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., if the court finds that the plaintiff's action was frivolous, unreasonable, groundless, or without foundation, or if the plaintiff continued to litigate after the action clearly became so. See Hughes v. Rowe, 449 U.S. 5, 15 (1980); Christianburg Garment Co. v. E.E.O.C., 434 U.S. 412, 421 (1978). After Kurowski's presentation of his case at trial, the district court directed a verdict against him, finding that no evidence had been presented that could reasonably support Kurowski's contention that his employment had been terminated for improper or discriminatory reasons. This Court affirmed, finding no error. In ruling on defendant's motion for fees, which Kurowski did not oppose, the court found that

Kurowski's claim

had been groundless, unreasonable, and brought for vexatious purposes. This finding, which is not inconsistent with the prior record, provided an adequate basis for the court's decision to award fees to defendants.

In denying Kurowski's motion for reconsideration, the district court stated, inter alia, that Kurowski had failed to specify what portion of the fee award he contended warranted reconsideration and did not show any justification for any reduction in the amount awarded. We find no error in these rulings and we accordingly affirm the denial of the motion for reconsideration.

We have considered all of Kurowski's arguments on this appeal and have found them to be without merit.

The orders of the district court are affirmed.

IRVING R. KAUFMAN, U.S.C.J.

N.B. THIS SUMMARY ORDER WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REPORTER AND SHOULD NOT BE CITED OR OTHERWISE RELIED UPON IN UNRELATED CASES BEFORE THIS OR ANY OTHER COURT.

AMALYA L. KREASE, U.S.C.J.

ROGER J. MINER, U.S.C.J.

APPENDIX B

Decision of the United States Court of Appeals

for the Second Circuit on
a rehearing of Attorney's Fees



UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

At a stated term of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, held at the United States Courthouse in the City of New York, on the 7th day of August, one thousand nine hundred and ninety.

Present: HONORABLE IRVING R. KAUFMAN,

HONORABLE AMALYA L. KEARSE,

HONORABLE ROGER J. MINER,

Circuit Judges,

RUDOLPH P. KUROWSKI,

Plaintiff-Appellant

- v.-

Docket No. 89-9033

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT and

BRIDGEPORT POLICE COMMISSION,

Defendants-Appellees .

A petition for rehearing having been filed herein by appellant pro se RUDOLPH P. KUROWSKI

Upon consideration by the panel that decided the appeal, it is Ordered that said petition be and it hereby is DENIED.

Elaine B. Goldsmith, Clerk



APPENDIX C

Proceedings of the
United States District Court for Connecticut



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CIVIL DOCKET CONTINUATION SHEET

| PLAINTI | | OLPH P.V. CITY OF BPT., & BPT POLICE COMM. |
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| DATE | NR. | PROCEEDINGS |
| 2/22 | 1 | COMPLAINT, filed, Summons issued. |
| | 2 | CIVIL Cover Sheet, filed. |
| | 3 | NOTICE of Req. for Prod., filed. |
| 2/26 | 4 | Appearance of Thomas K. Jackson, Esq., |
| | | entered for defts. |
| 2/27 | 5 | Return of Service by Edwin S. Mak, |
| | | Sheriff, showing dates of service on 02/ |
| | | 22/85, on all defts. |
| 3/14 | 6 | Motion for An Ext. of Time, until April |
| | | 3, 1985 to respond to the complaint, filed |
| | | by defts. |
| 3/22 | 7 | Motion, #(6) endorsed: GRANTED. Pursuant |
| | | to Local Rule 9(b) (i) (1). ROWE, C. copies |
| | | to counsel. |
| 4/1 | 7 | Notice of compliance with Pltf's first |
| | | Set of Requests for Production, filed by |
| | | defts. |
| 4/1 | 8 | ANSWER, filed. |
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| DATE | NR. | PROCEEDINGS |
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| 4/9 | 9 | Motion to Strike, filed by pltf. |
| 4/9 | 9a | Pltf's Memo. of Law In Supp. of Mot. to |
| | | Strike, filed (attached to Motion) |
| 4/18 | 10 | Order of Reference to a United States |
| | | Magistrate, Motion (#9), referred to Mag. |
| | | Eagan. DALY, J. copies to counsel. |
| 4/18 | 11 | Deft's Memo Of Law In Opp, to Motion to |
| | | Strike, filed. |
| 4/18 | 12 | Objection to Motion to Strike, filed by |
| | | pltf. |
| 4/19 | 13 | Notice of service on interrogatories, |
| | | filed by pltf. |
| 4/19 | 14 | Notice of Service of Request for Pro., |
| | | filed by pltf. |
| 4/19 | 15 | Pltf's Motion For Leave to Propound |
| | | Additional Interrog., filed. |
| 5/8 | 16 | MOTION for Ext. of Time until 6/17/85 to |
| | | respond to Interrogs., filed by Defts. |
| 5/21 | | Ext. of Time, # (16) endorsed: Pursuant to |
| | | Local Rule 9(b)(i)(2) and (3), the motion |
| | | is hereby GRANTED for a period not to |
| | | exceed 20 days from the date of this |

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| | Te-N | order. ROWE, C. copies to counsel. |
| 5/21 | 17 | Pltf's Motion for Summary Judgment, |
| | | filed. |
| 5/21 | 18 | Pltf's Memo. of Motion for Summary |
| | | Judgment, filed. |
| 5/21 | 19 | Exhibits on Pltf's Motion for Summary |
| | | Judgment, filed. |
| 5/21 | 20 | Statement of Material Facts, filed |
| 5/31 | 21 | Order of Reference, Motion # (17) referred |
| | | to Mag. Eagan. DALY, J. copies to |
| | | counsel. |
| 6/3 | 22 | OBJECTION to Pltf's Motion for Leave to |
| | | propound Additional Interrogs., filed by |
| | | Defts. |
| 6/6 | 23 | Motion for Ext. of Time, until June 21, |
| | | 1985 to respond to pltf's Motion for |
| | | Summary Judgment, filed by defts. |
| 6/7 | | HEARING held before EAGAN, M. on Pending |
| | | Motions (see Mts.) |
| 6/10 | | Mo. (#15) endorsed: GRANTED, EAGAN, M. |
| | | cc: attys. |
| 6/10 | | Mo. (#9) endorsed: GRANTED by agreement. |

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| | | Deft. to amend special defense by July 8, |
| | | 1985. EAGAN, M. cc:attys. |
| 6/13 | | Mo. (#23) endorsed: GRANTED. EAGAN, M. |
| | | cc:attys. |
| 6/21 | 24 | Objection to Pltf's Motion for S. J., |
| | | filed by defts. |
| 6/21 | 25 | Statement of Disputed Facts, filed by |
| | | defts. |
| 6/21 | 25a | Deft's Exhibits in Opp. to the pltf's |
| | | Motion for S. J., filed. |
| 6/21 | 26 | Memo. In Opp. to Pltf's. Motion for |
| | 111 | Summary Judgment, filed by defts. |
| 6/27 | 27 | Scheduling Order Pursuant to Rule 16, |
| | | F.R.C.P., entered. DALY, J. Any mos. |
| | | addressed to the pleadings to be filed by |
| | | Aug. 30, 1985. |
| 7/5 | 28 | AMENDMENT to Special Defense, filed by |
| | | City of Bpt & Bpt. Police Comm. |
| 7/10 | 29 | MOTION For Extension of Time Within Which |
| | | To Respond To Pltf's First Set of |
| | | Interrogatories, filed. |
| 7/18 | | Mo. For Ext. (# 29) endorsed: GRANTED. |

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| 115 | 124 | EAGAN, M. cc: attys. |
| 7/22 | 30 | Pltf's Rebuttal Memo. In Support of |
| | | Motion for Summary Judgment, filed. |
| 6/26 | | STATUS CONF. CAL. before DALY, J.: HELD. |
| | | Scheduling Order entered. Nov. Trial Cal. |
| 8/29 | 31 | Deft's Motion for Summary Judgment on |
| | 100 | Counts Three and Four of the Complaint, |
| | | filed. |
| 8/29 | 32 | Statement of Material Facts of Which |
| | | There is No Genuine Issue to be Tried On |
| | | Counts Three and Four, filed. |
| 8/29 | 33 | Deft's Motion for Summary Judgment on |
| | (===) | Counts One, Two, Five and Six of the |
| | in 13 | pltf's Complaint, filed. |
| 8/29 | 34 | Memo. in Support of Deft's Motion for |
| | | Summary Judgment on Counts Three and Four |
| | 300 | of pltf's Complaint, filed. |
| 8/29 | 35 | Statement of material Facts of Which |
| | yrad | there is no Genuine issue to be tried on |
| | | of pltf's Complaint, filed. Statement of material Facts of Which there is no Genuine issue to be tried on Counts One, Two, Five and Six, filed. Memo. of law In Support of the Deft. Motion For Summary Judgment on Counts |
| 8/29 | 36 | Memo. of law In Support of the Deft. |
| | 2 | Motion For Summary Judgment on Counts |

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| | | One, Two, Five and Six of the Pltf's |
| | 300 | Complaint, filed. |
| 8/29 | 37 | Exhibits in Support of Deft's Motion for |
| | - 1 | Summary Judgment on Counts One, Two, Five |
| | | and Six of the Pltf's Complaint, filed. |
| 9/5 | 38 | ORDER OF Reference to A United States |
| | | Magistrate, Motion #(31 and 33) referred |
| | | to Magistrate Eagan. DALY, J. copies to |
| -15 | 344 | counsel. |
| 9/6 | 39 | Pltf's Memorandum of Law In Opposition To |
| | | Deft's Motion For Summary Judgment, |
| 10 111 | | filed. |
| 9/25 | | Per misc. Cal. held before EAGAN, J., ON |
| | | Pltf's Mot. for S. J., on oral argument |
| | | by agreement to be decided on the papers. |
| 10/28 | 40 | PLTF'S Motion to Compel Responses to |
| | | Interrogatories, filed. TDGD fdp |
| 11/5 | 41 | ORDER OF REFERENCE TO U.S. MAGISTRATE |
| | | F.O. Eagan., Document #40., Daly J., cc |
| | | ORDER OF REFERENCE TO U.S. MAGISTRATE F.O. Eagan., Document #40., Daly J., cc counsel of record. Request for Leave To Amend Answer, filed by defts. |
| 11/12 | 42 | Request for Leave To Amend Answer, filed |
| | | by defts. |

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| 11/12 | 43 | Notice of Compliance filed by defts. |
| 12/11 | 44 | Recommended Ruling on Cross Motions for |
| - | | Summary Judgment, filed and entered, |
| | | pltf's motion for S. J. on counts three |
| | | and four is DENIED. Defts' motion for |
| | | summary judgment on counts three and four |
| | | is DENIED. EAGAN, M. Copies to counsel. |
| 12/19 | 45 | Pltf's Objection To Magistrate's Ruling |
| | | on Pltf's Motion for S. J., filed. |
| 12/19 | | Request, #(42) endorsed: Absent objec- |
| | | tion, deft's request is hereby Granted. |
| | | DALY, J. copies to counsel. |
| 12/19 | 46 | AMENDMENT TO Answer, filed. |
| 1986 | | |
| 1/2 | 47 | DEFTS RESPONSE to Pltf's Objection to |
| | | Mag's Ruling on Pltf's Mot. for S. J., |
| | 11-11 | filed. (mh) |
| 1/6 | 48 | Request For Leave To Amend Answer, filed. |
| 1/6 | 49 | Notice of Filing Amended Answers and |
| - 169 | | Request For Leave To Amend Answer, filed. Notice of Filing Amended Answers and Objections To Interrogatories, filed. Magistrate's Ruling, #(44) endorsed: |
| 1/27 | | Magistrate's Ruling, #(44) endorsed: |
| | - 3 | After review and over objection, the |

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| | | Magistrate's recommended ruling is hereby |
| | | Adopted, approved and ratified. DALY, J. |
| | | copies to counsel. |
| 1/28 | 50 | Notice of Compliance with Pltf's Second |
| | | Set of Req. for Pro., filed by defts. |
| 1/28 | | Pltf's Motion #(40) endorsed: Motion |
| | | withdrawn by pltf. EAGAN, M. copies to |
| | | counsel. |
| 1/28 | 51 | Notice of Filing Amended Answers to |
| | | Interrog., filed by defts. |
| 1/27 | | MISC. CAL. before EAGAN, Mag.: Mot. w/ |
| | | drawn by Pltf. (mh) |
| 2/3 | | Mo. (#48) endorsed: GRANTED. DALY, J. |
| | | cc: attys. |
| 2/3 | 52 | AMENDMENT TO ANSWER, filed by defts. |
| 2/5 | 53 | Pltf's Motion For Reconsideration, filed, |
| | | along with Memo. In Support of Motions. |
| 2/10 | 54 | Defts' Objection To Pltf's Motion For |
| | | Reconsideration, filed. |
| 2/14 | 55 | Order of Reference, the Pltf's Motion for |
| | | reconsideration is hereby referred to |
| | | Magistrate Eagan. DALY, J. cc to counsel. |

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| 3/14 | 56 | RECOMMENDED RULING ON PLTF'S MOTION FOR |
| | | RECONSIDERATION, filed and entered, Pltf's |
| | | motion for reconsideration is denied. |
| | | EAGAN, M. copies to counsel. |
| 3/27 | 57 | NOT of Further Compliance With Pltf's |
| | | Sec. Req. For Production, filed by defts. |
| 3/31 | 58 | Pltf's Objection To Mag's Ruling on |
| | | Pltf's Mot For S. J., filed. |
| 3/31 | 59 | Pltf's Memo. of Law In Support of His |
| | | Obj., etc., filed. |
| 4/3 | 60 | Deft's Response To Pltf's Objection to |
| | | magistrate's Ruling on Pltf's Motion for |
| | | Summary Judgment, filed. |
| 4/3 | 61 | Defts' A Memo. Of Law in Support of Their |
| | | Response to Pltf's Objection to Mag's |
| | | Ruling dated March 14, 1986, filed. |
| 5/9 | 62 | Notice of Change of Address of firm |
| | | Linderman & Mastribardi, filed by pltf. |
| | | (noted on front of docket sheet) (ct) |
| 5/12 | | Magistrate's Ruling, # (56) endorsed: The |
| | | Magistrate's recommended ruling is to be |
| | | Adopted, Approved, and Ratified. Accord- |

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| | | ingly, pltf's motion for reconsideration |
| | | is denied. DALY, J. copies to counsel. |
| 7/10 | 63 | Notice of deposition of Wallace B. |
| | | Lebowitz, M.D., filed by pltf. |
| 7/17 | 64 | RETURN OF SERVICE of Depos. Subp., filed. |
| | | Exec. 7/14/86. (mh) |
| 1987 | | |
| 2/23 | 65 | Pltf's Motion for Leave file an Amended |
| | | Complaint, filed (ct) |
| 2/26 | | Pltf's Motion, #(65) end: GRANTED absent |
| | | objection. DALY, J. copies to counsel |
| | | (ct) |
| 2/26 | 66 | AMENDED COMPLAINT, filed. (ct) |
| 6/23 | 67 | Motion for Ext. of time, until July 10, |
| | | 1987 within which to file their proposed |
| | | findings of fact and conclusions, filed |
| | | by defts. (ct) |
| 6/24 | 68 | Pltf's Motion for Leave to File A Second |
| | 1 | I Amondod Complaint filed (ct) |
| 6/25 | | Motion for Ext. of Time, #(67) end: |
| | | GRANTED on consent. DALY, J. copies so |
| • | | counsel (ct) |

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| 6/30 | 69 | Objection to Motion to Amend Complaint, |
| | | filed by defts (ct) |
| 6/30 | 70 | Motion for Ex. of Time, within which to |
| | | file either proposed voir dire questions |
| | | or, alternatively, proposed findings of |
| | | fact and conclusions of law, filed by |
| | | pltf. (ct) |
| 7/6 | | Mot (#70) end.: GRANTED pending further |
| | | order of the Court. DALY, J. cc: attys. |
| | | cec |
| 7/6 | 71 | ANSWER To Pltf's Amended Complaint dated |
| | | Feb. 17, 1987, filed. cec |
| 7/6 | 72 | Order of Reference to A United States |
| | | Magistrate, Motion, #(68) referred to |
| | | Mag. Smith. DALY, J. cc: to counsel. (ct) |
| 7/7 | | Per Call of the Cal. & Jury Selection, |
| | | held before DALY, J. Pending Motion OFF. |
| | | (ct) |
| 7/23 | 73 | Pltf's Memo. in Support of Motion to Amend |
| | | held before DALY, J. Pending Motion OFF. (ct) Pltf's Memo. in Support of Motion to Amend and for Jury Trial, filed. (ct) Deft's Reply to Pltf's Memo. in Support of Motion and for Jury Trial, filed. (ct) |
| 7/27 | 74 | Deft's Reply to Pltf's Memo. in Support |
| | | of Motion and for Jury Trial, filed. (ct) |

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| 8/17 | | Pltf's Motion, #(68) end: Pltf's Motion |
| | | should be Granted, the second amended |
| | | complaint should be filed, and pltf. |
| | | should be allowed a jury trial. SMITH, |
| | | M. copies to counsel. (ct) |
| 8/17 | 75 | SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT, filed, Jury |
| | | Trial demand. (ct) |
| 9/4 | | Pltf's Motion, #(68) end: After review |
| | | and absent objection, the proposed ruling |
| | | of the Magistrate is hereby Adopted, |
| | | Approved and Ratified. DALY, J. copies |
| | | to counsel (ct) |
| 9/11 | 76 | Motion to Dismiss, filed by defts. City |
| | | of Bpt., et al |
| 9/11 | 77 | Memo. in Support of Motion to Dismiss, |
| | | filed by defts. City of Bpt., et al |
| 9/21 | 78 | Pltf's Memo. of Law in Opp. to Defts' |
| | | Motion to Dismiss, filed (ct) |
| 9/30 | 79 | Amendment To Motion to Dismiss, filed by |
| | | defts. dw |
| 9/30 | 80 | Pltf's Memo. of Law in Opp. to Defts' Motion to Dismiss, filed (ct) Amendment To Motion to Dismiss, filed by defts. dw Deft's Reply Memo in supp of mot to dismiss, filed by defts' dw |
| | | dismiss, filed by defts' dw |
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| 10/21 | 81 | ORDER of Ref to U.S. Magistrate, re #76, |
| | | ref. to Mag. Margolis, DALY, J. cc: attys |
| | | dw |
| 12/4 | | PER MISC. CA; . ORAL ARGUMENT heard before |
| | | MARGOLIS, M. on Deft's Mot. To Dismiss |
| | | Court opened 2:40PM; adj. 3:20PM. Deft's |
| | | Ex. 1, filed. Pltf's obj overruled. |
| | | Post-Argument briefs due 01/19/88; DEC. |
| | | RESV. TAPE RECORDED (Smith, D.C.) cec |
| 12/7 | | Tape Recording of hrg. of 12/4/87, filed |
| | | in N.H. Margolis, M. |
| 1988 | | |
| 1/12 | 82 | Pltf's Supplemental Memo. of Law In |
| | | Opposition to defts' Motion to Dismiss, |
| | | filed (ct) |
| 1/15 | 83 | DEFT'S Post Argument Memo in Supp of |
| | | Defts' Mot to Dismiss, filed by defts dw |
| 2/19 | 84 | RECOMMENDED Ruling on Defts' Mot to |
| | | Dismiss, Treated as A Motion For Summary |
| | | Judgment, filed. The Court declines to |
| | | give the arbitration awards of the Board |
| | | either claim or issue preclusion effect |

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| | | and on such basis, defts' mot to dismiss |
| | | accordingly is denied. The Court declines |
| | | to consider whether the allegations of |
| | | pltf's complaint are sufficient to state |
| | | a claim under Sec. 1983 until those issues |
| | | are more fully developed. MARGOLIS, M., |
| | | cc: attys (See Ruling for details (dw) |
| 3/14 | | RULING #(84) end: After review & absent |
| | | obj, the proposed ruling of the Mag. is |
| | | hereby ADOPTED, APPROVED and RATIFIED. |
| | | Should the defts wish to renew the mot to |
| | | dismiss referred to in Sec. B of this |
| | | ruling, it shall be filed no later than |
| | | April 1, 1988. DALY, J., cc: attys dw, |
| | | M-3/11/88 |
| 3/31 | 85 | MOT For Ext of Time (until April 8, 1988) |
| | - | within which to file the mot to dismiss |
| | | due April 1, 1988, file by defts (dw) |
| 4/4 | | due April 1, 1988, file by defts (dw) MOT #(85) end: GRANTED on consent. DALY, J., cc: attys (dw) MOT To Dismiss, filed by defts (dw) |
| 1 | | J., cc: attys (dw) |
| 4/6 | 86 | MOT To Dismiss, filed by defts (dw) |
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| 4/6 | 87 | MEMO In Supp of #86, filed by defts (dw) |
| 4/20 | 88 | MOT For Ext of (until May 20, 1988) within |
| | | which to file a memo of law in oppos of |
| | | defts' mot to dismiss, filed by pltf (dw) |
| 4/21 | | MOT #(88) end: GRANTED in part such that |
| | | a response shall be filed, if at all, no |
| | | later than May 6, 1988. DALY, J., cc: |
| | | attys (dw) |
| 5/9 | 89 | PLTF'S Memo of Law In Oppos to Defts' Mot |
| | | to Dismiss, filed by pltf (dw) |
| 5/11 | 90 | ORDER of Reference to A U.S. Magistrate, |
| | | filed & ent. (re#86) referred to Mag. |
| | | Margolis, DALY, J., cc: attys (dw) |
| 5/19 | 91 | DEFTS' Reply Memo In Supp of Mot to |
| | | Dismiss, filed by defts (dw) |
| 6/23 | 92 | TAPE Recording of Oral Argument on Defts' |
| | | Motion To Dismiss, before MARGOLIS, M. |
| | | (in N.H.) dw |
| 7/08 | 93 | (in N.H.) dw RECOMMENDED RULING on Defts' Mot To |
| | | Dismiss, filed, Deft's mot is granted |
| | | with respect to Ct. 1 unless pltf files |
| | | an amended complaint w/i 20 days of Chief |

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| | | Judge Daly's action hereon, such mot is |
| | | denied with respect to Ct. 2 and granted |
| | | with respect to Cts. 3 & 5. MARGOLIS, M. |
| | | cc: attys |
| 7/18 | 94 | PLTF'S Partial Obj to Magistrate's Rec- |
| | | ommended Ruling dated July 7, 1988, filed |
| | | (dw) |
| 7/20 | 95 | OBJ To Magistrate's Recommended Ruling on |
| | | Deft's Mot to Dismiss, filed defts (dw) |
| 7/20 | 96 | MEMO in Support of #95, filed by dfts (dw) |
| 7/25 | 97 | DEFTS' Reply to Pltf's Partial Obj to |
| | | Magistrate's Recommended Ruling dated |
| | | July 7, 1988, filed (dw) |
| 8/8 | | RECOMMENDED RULING on Defts' Mot to |
| | | Dismiss, re #93, end: Construing the |
| | | factual allegations of the present com- |
| | | plaint in the light most favorable to the |
| | | pltf, no such claim is possible. There- |
| | | fore the Court does not on the present |
| | | record grant leave to amend the complaint |
| | | to include a substantive due process |
| t | | claim. In all other respects, after |

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| | | careful review and over obj, the |
| | 1 11 | Magistrate's ruling is hereby AFFIRMED, |
| | | ADOPTED and RATIFIED. Accordingly, the |
| | - | motion to dismiss is GRANTED with respect |
| | | to Counts One, Three and Five and DENIED |
| | | with respect to Count Two. Count Four has |
| | | been withdrawn by the pltf. Pltf. shall |
| | | file an amended complaint consistent with |
| | | this ruling no later than twenty days |
| | | hereof. DALY, J., cc: attys, & Mag. |
| | | Margolis, M-8/8/88 (dw) (See Ruling for |
| | | details) |
| 8/17 | 98 | MOTION For Leave to Amend Complaint, |
| | | filed by pltf (dw) |
| 8/24 | 99 | OBJECTION To Pltf's Third Amended Com- |
| | | plaint, filed by defts (dw) |
| 8/24 | 100 | MEMO In Obj to Pltf's Third Amended |
| | | Complaint, filed by defts (dw) |
| 8/30 | | MOAT #(98) end: In light of the liberal |
| | | provision of Fed. AR. Civ. P. 15 permitting |
| | | the amendment of pleadings, the motion to |
| | 3 | amend is GRANTED. Defts may raise their |

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| | | objs to the amended complaint in the form |
| | | of a motion to dismiss. DALY, J., cc: |
| | | attys (dw) |
| 8/30 | 101 | THIRD AMENDED COMPLAINT, filed (dw) |
| 9/1 | 102 | PLTF's Memo of Law In Oppos to Defts' Obj |
| | | to Pltf's Amended Complaint, filed (dw) |
| 9/9 | 104 | MEMO In Supp of #(103), filed by defts |
| | | (dw) |
| 9/15 | 105 | PLTF'S Memo of Law In Oppos to Defts, Mot |
| | | to Dismiss, filed (dw) |
| 10/7 | | Motion to Dismiss, #(103) end: Accord- |
| | | ingly, the motion to dismiss is hereby |
| | | granted. DALY, J. copies to counsel (ct) |
| 10/28 | 106 | JUDGMENT, filed. It is therefore ORDERED |
| | | and ADJUDGED that judgment be and is |
| | | hereby entered for the defts and the |
| | | action is dismissed. ROWE, C., cc: attys |
| | | M-10/31/88 (dw) |
| 11/4 | 107 | MOT to re-open and amend the judgment |
| | | entered on October 27, 1988, filed by pltf (dw) |
| 11/8 | | MOT # (107) end: Pltf. is correct in noting |
| | 1 | that defts' mot to dismiss filed Sept. 9. |

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| | | 1988 was directed only at Count Two of the |
| | | Third Amended Complaint and that the |
| | | Court's Ruling on the mot to dismiss |
| | | thereby only dismissed Count Two. Ac- |
| | | cordingly, the mot to reopen is GRANTED |
| | | and the judgment of October 28, 1988 is |
| | | VACATED. Pltf. shall file an amended |
| | | complaint comporting with the Court's |
| | | ruling on the defts' mot to dismiss within |
| , | | ten days hereof. SO ORDERED. DALY, J., |
| | | cc: attys (dw) |
| 11/15 | 108 | PRETRIAL ORDER, filed & entered: Case to |
| | - | appear on Court's January 1989Ready Trial |
| | | List; Pretrial Conf no later than Dec 5, |
| | | 1988, each party to exchange Trial Memo by |
| | | Dec. 5, 1988. DALY, J., cc: attys (dw) |
| 11/16 | 109 | MOT For Leave to Amend Complaint, filed |
| | | (dw) |
| 11/17 | 110 | ANSWER TO FOURTH AMENDED COMPLAINT, filed |
| | | (dw) |
| 11/18 | | MOT #(109) end: GRANTED, DALY, J., cc: |
| | | attys (dw) |
| 11/18 | 111 | FOURTH AMENDED COMPLAINT, filed (dw) |
| 12/5 | 112 | DEFT's Trial Memorandum, filed (dw) |

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| 12/6 | 113 | PLTF's Trial Memorandum, filed (dw) |
| 1989 | | |
| 1/31 | 114 | NOTICE of Proposed Voir Dire Questions, |
| | | filed by pltf. (dw) |
| 2/7 | 115 | PLTF's Mot in Limine, filed. (dw) |
| 2/7 | 116 | NOT of Proposed Jury Instructions, filed |
| | | by pltf. (dw) |
| 2/7 | 117 | DEFTS' Motion In Limine, filed. (dw) |
| 2/7 | 118 | OBJ to Pltf's Mot In Limine, filed by |
| | | defts. (dw) |
| 2/7 | | CALL of the Cal before TFGD; Ready-Trial |
| | | 2/13/89 at 10:00 (dw) |
| 2/7 | | JURY TRIAL COMMENCES: 60 Jurors at roll |
| | | call; 13 jurors excused for cause; Basic |
| | | panel of 16 names drawn; jury of 6 & 2 alts. |
| | | impanelled, but not sworn; testimony to |
| | | commence 2/13/89. Court adj.; TFGD (dw) |
| 2/10 | 119 | MOT to File Supp Jury Instructions, filed |
| | | by defts. (dw) |
| 2/13 | | JURY TRIAL CONTINUES: Jury of 6 & 2 alts; |
| | | pltf's exhs 1-80 marked for Id; deft's |
| | | exhs 501-510, marked for Id; Pltfs. mot |

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| 15 | | to preclude Arbit - Dec-denied; pltfs mot |
| | | to Preclude Arbi. Award - denied; pltfs |
| | | mot to Preclude test. re pltfs emp |
| | Tall I | denied; Oral argument on defts mot in |
| | | limine - DEC RES: Ct rules on mots re: |
| | | disability/pension ques & evid of Bad |
| | | Faith of Commissioners. pltfs mot to |
| | | sequester wtns - granted; pltfs exhs 3, |
| | | 4, 42, 11, 14, 19, 27, 40, 41,75A-C, 80, |
| | | made full exhs; deft exh. 501, made full; |
| | | pltf resumes stand for cont'd test. & |
| | | cross exam; pltfs exh 62a made full; defts |
| | | exhs 506, 509, 505 & 507 made full. Ct |
| | | adj.; WWE (dw) |
| 2/14 | | MOT (No. 115) end: For the reasons stated |
| | | on the record in open court, DENIED; TFGD; |
| | | cc: counsel (dw) |
| 2/14 | | MOT (No. 117) end: For the reasons stated |
| | | on the record in open court, DENIED: TFGD; |
| | | cc: counsel (dw) |
| 2/14 | | MOT (No. 119) end: GRANTED, TFGD; cc: |
| | | counsel (dw) |

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| 2/14 | | JURY TRIAL CONTINUES: Jury of 6 & 2 alts; |
| | and a | defts exh 511, marked for ID; 3 pltf with |
| | | sworn & test.; pltf exhs 81, 82, 83, 84 |
| | | marked for ID; pltf exh 55 made full; oral |
| | 100 | argument re: exhs not admitted; defts mot |
| | | to strike part of Walsh test DEC. RES.; |
| | | defts exh 512 marked for ID & made full' |
| | | defts mot to strike part of test of wtn |
| | | G. Kelly - DEC. RES.; defts mot to dismiss |
| | | and/or Directed Verdict - DEC. RES.; Ct |
| | | adj until 2/15/89; TFGD (dw) |
| 2/15 | | JURY TRIAL CONTINUED: Jury of 6 & 2 alts; |
| | | Ruling on Defts Mot for Directed Verdict |
| | | GRANTED; Complaint Dismissed. Ct Adj. |
| | | TFGD. (dw) |
| 2/15 | 120 | JUDGMENT, filed. It is therefore ORDERED |
| | | and ADJUDGED that jmt be and is hereby |
| | | entered in favor of the defts & the pltfs |
| | | complaint is dismissed. ROWE, C.; cc: |
| | | counsel w/NOA, info, M-2/26/89 (dw) NOTICE of Appeal, filed by pltf. from jdmt |
| 2/23 | 121 | NOTICE of Appeal, filed by pltf. from jdmt |
| | | entered 2/15/89. Copies of Notice mailed |

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| | , | to counsel of record. *ct) Civil Appeal |
| | | package mailed. FEE PAID |
| 2/23 | | CERT. copy of docket sheet and Notice of |
| | | Appeal, mailed to Clerk, USCA. (ct) |
| 3/15 | | Civil Appeal scheduling Order #1 rec'd |
| | | fro, USCA record due 4/3/89 (ct) |
| 3/29 | 122 | Transcripts of proceedings held on |
| | | 2/13/89, 2/14/89 volume 1&2, and 2/15/89, |
| | | filed (Ct) |
| 4/4 | | ROA, forwarded to Clerk, USCA and copies |
| | | of Index mailed to counsel of record. |
| 4/19 | | Acknowledgment rec'd from Clerk, USCA, |
| | | ROA rec'd on 4/06/89 (ct) |
| 4/25 | | Supp. to ROA, forwarded to Clerk, USCA and |
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| | | record. (ct) |
| 5/5 | | Acknowledgment rec'd from Clerk, USCA, |
| | | Supp. to ROA, rec'd on 4/27/89 (ct) |
| 7/17 | 123 | ATTESTED COPY OF MANDATE, rec'd from |
| | | Clerk, USCA, filed and entered, Accord- |
| | | ingly the judgment of the district court |
| | | is affirmed. KAUFMAN, MINER and POLLACK, |

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| 2 | | J'S GOLDSMITH, C. copy to TFGD (ct) |
| 7/17 | 124 | ITEMIZED AND VERIFIED BILL OF COSTS, |
| | | rec'd from Clerk, USCA, filed and en- |
| | | tered. Costs are hereby taxed in the |
| | | amount of \$356.50 in favor of appellees, |
| 37 | | City of Bpt. GOLDSMITH, C. |
| 7/21 | 125 | Application for Award of Attorney's Fees |
| * | | and Costs. filed by defts. (ct) |
| 7/25 | | Record on Appeal returned from U.S. Court |
| | | of Appeals and Acknowledgment of receipt |
| | | forwarded to Clerk on 7/25/89 (ct) |
| 8/18 | | APPLIC (No. 125) end: Accordingly, defts' |
| | | applic for attys' fees & costs is hereby |
| | | GRANTED in full absent timely obj and for |
| | | god cause shown. TFGD; cc: counsel |
| 8/31 | 126 | PLTF'S Mot for Reconsideration, filed. |
| | | (dw) |
| 9/6 | 127 | RESPONSE to Pltf's Mot for Reconsidera- |
| | | tion, filed by defts. (dw) |
| 10/18 | | MOT #126 end: Pltf's mot for reconsid- |
| | | eration is DENIED because it is untimely, |
| | | see L.R. 9(e)(1), it fails to set forth |

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| | | adequate reasons for pltf's failure to |
| | | respond to the orig applic for fees, it |
| | | fails to specify with particularity which |
| | | portions of the fee award are worthy of |
| | | reconsideration, and it does not furnish |
| | | justification for any reduction in the |
| | | award previously made. Accordingly, the |
| | | Court adheres to its Ruling of Aug. 18, |
| | | 1989. Defts applic for atty's fees in |
| | | connection with opposing this mot is |
| | | DENIED in view of the size of the award |
| | | previously ordered by the Court. TFGD; |
| | | cc: counsel. dw |
| 10/23 | 128 | Appearance of Rudolph P. Kurowski, pro |
| | | se, entered on behalf of himself, filed. |
| - | | (CW) |
| 10/23 | 129 | Notice of appeal, filed by pro se pltf. |
| | | copies mailed to counsel. (cw) |
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| 10/23 | | Civil Appeal package, handed to pro se |
| | | Notice of appeal, filed by pro se pltf. copies mailed to counsel. (cw) FEE PAID Civil Appeal package, handed to pro se pltf. (cw) Cert. copy of docket sheet and Notice of |
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| | | Appeal, forwarded to Clerk, USCA (cw) |
| 11/27 | | Civil Appeal Scheduling Order, rec'd from |
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| | | of Index mailed to counsel of record (cw) |
| 12/18 | | Ack. of ROA, rec'd from Clerk, USCA, rec'd |
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